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Title: PRODRUGS OF PHOSPHONATE	)	
NUCLEOTIDE ANALOGUES AND METHODS	)	
FOR SELECTING AND MAKING SAME	)	

**Amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.52 and 1.121**

This is responsive to the Patent and Trademark Office non-final Action mailed May 3, 2006, setting a period for response expiring August 3, 2006. Applicants request a two month extension of time thereby extending the due date for response to October 3, 2006. Applicants amend the claims as set forth and make remarks requesting reconsideration.

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